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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009–10 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 69

Introduced by Assembly Member Duvall

December 12, 2008

An act to repeal and add Section 66025 of the Eduction Code, add Section 66208 to the Education Code, and to add Section 13337.1 to the Government Code, relating to postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 69, as amended, Duvall. Statewide student fee policy. Postsecondary education: enrollment growth.

Existing

(1) Existing law provides for a public postsecondary education system in this state. This system includes the University of California, which is administered by the Regents of the University of California, and the California State University, which is administered by the Trustees of the California State University. Existing law authorizes the segments of the public postsecondary education system to charge various fees to their students.

This bill would delete a provision that required the systemwide fees and tuition charged to resident undergraduate students at the University of California and the California State University to be reduced in the 1998–99 and 1999–2000 fiscal years.

The bill would require, notwithstanding any law, commencing with the 2010–11 fiscal year, the level of mandatory systemwide fees and tuition for undergraduate students at the University of California and the California State University to be set over a 4-year period in order to allow students at these institutions to budget accordingly for the

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entirety of their education. The bill would provide that the University of California and the California State University have the discretion to establish the set level of mandatory systemwide fees and tuition. The bill would express the intent of the Legislature that the level of student fees for undergraduate students at the University of California and the California State University also be set over a 4-year period. The bill would apply to the University of California only to the extent that the Regents of the University of California act, by resolution, to make its provisions applicable.

This bill would request the regents, and require the trustees to submit information regarding the number of students who graduated for the most recent academic year, and the number of students who left school without graduating, as part of the annual enrollment growth reports required by the annual Budget Act.

(2) Existing law requires the Governor's Budget to be submitted to the Legislature within the first 10 days of each regular session. Existing law requires the Governor's Budget to be prepared in compliance with guidelines and instructions adopted by the Department of Finance.

This bill would require the department, before the submission of the Governor's Budget, to develop projections for enrollment at the University of California and the California State University that are based on the number of students expected to graduate from high school in the ensuing fiscal year.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 66208 is added to the Education Code, 2 to read:
- 3 66208. (a) The Regents of the University of California are 4 requested to, and the Trustees of the California State University
- 4 requested to, and the Trustees of the California State University shall, include in their annual enrollment reports, as required by
- 6 the annual Budget Act, the following information for the most 7 recent academic year:
 - (1) The number of students who graduated with a degree.

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- 9 (2) The number of students who did not continue their education 10 from the prior academic year and did not obtain a degree.
- 11 *(b) The information shall be calculated and presented separately* 12 *for undergraduate students and graduate students.*

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SEC. 2. Section 13337.1 is added to the Government Code, to read:

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13337.1. Prior to the submission of the Governor's Budget to the Legislature, the Department of Finance shall develop projections for enrollment growth at the University of California and the California State University. The projections shall be based on demographic data on the projected growth in the number of high school students in the state that are expected to graduate in the ensuing fiscal year.

SECTION 1. Section 66025 of the Education Code is repealed. SEC. 2. Section 66025 is added to the Education Code, to read: 66025. (a) Notwithstanding any law, commencing with the 2010–11 fiscal year, the level of mandatory systemwide fees and tuition for undergraduate students at the University of California and the California State University shall be set over a four-year period in order to allow students at these institutions to budget accordingly for the entirety of their education.

- (b) The University of California and the California State University shall have the discretion to establish the set level of fees and tuition established in subdivision (a).
- (e) It is the intent of the Legislature that the level of student fees for undergraduate students at the University of California and the California State University also be set over a four-year period to allow students to budget accordingly.
- (d) No provision of this section shall apply to the University of California except to the extent that the Regents of the University of California, by appropriate resolution, make that provision applicable.